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SUBJ: FORECAST OF EC 1978 FRUIT AND VEGETABLES

PRODUCTION

REF: BRUSSELS 5865

1. SUMMARY: THE EC STATISTICAL OFFICE IN LUXEMBOURG RECENTLY PUBLISHED STATISTICS FORECASTING 1978 PRODUCTION OF FRUIT AND VEGETABLES IN THE COMMUNITY. FRUIT PRODUCTION IS ESTIMATED AT 16.8 MILLION MT COMPARED TO 15.1 MILLION TONS IN 1977. STATISTICS ON TOTAL EC VEGETABLE PRODUCTION ARE NOT YET AVAILABLE, BUT IT IS ESTIMATED THAT THE 1978 CROP OF EARLY VEGETABLES WILL BE 6 PERCENT HIGHER THAN THE 1977 CROP (REFTEL.) END SUMMARY
2. 1978 HARVEST FORECAST OF CERTAIN FRUITS FOLLOWS:

PRODUCT	AVG.	1976	1977	1978	1978 RELATIVE TO
	1973-77		AVG. 73-77	1977	

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	(1,000 MT)	(PERCENT)
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APPLES	6,500	6,480	5,130	6,560	101	128
PEARS	2,440	2,670	1,920	1,965	81	102
PEACHES	1,620	1,930	1,470	1,530	94	104
APRICOTS	200	230	155	175	88	113
CHERRIES	510	540	400	490	96	123

PRUNES 690 870 615 745 108 121
STRAWBERRIES 355 340 365 395 111 108

3. VEGETABLE PRODUCTION: DUE TO POOR WEATHER CONDITIONS HARVESTING OF VEGETABLE CROPS IS TWO TO THREE WEEKS LATE. NEVERTHELESS, THE STATISTICAL OFFICE ESTIMATES AN OVERALL 6 PERCENT INCREASE IN THE PRODUCTION OF EARLY VEGETABLES IN FRANCE, GERMANY, NETHERLANDS, AND THE U.K. DECREASES ARE EXPECTED IN THE PRODUCTION OF GREEN BEANS AND CUCUMBERS IN GERMANY, SUMMER VEGETABLES IN THE U.K. AND WALES, AS WELL AS AN OVERALL DECREASE IN THE COMMUNITY PRODUCTION OF PEAS, CAULIFLOWERS, AND CABBAGES. MCCARTHY.

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